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in conformance with section 502(c) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the act) (21 U.S.C. 352(c)).

(d) Devices containing natural rubber latex that contacts humans, as described in paragraph (b) of this section, shall bear the following statement in bold print on the device labeling:

"Caution: This Product Contains Natural Rubber Latex Which May Cause Allergic Reactions."

This statement shall appear on all device labels, and other labeling, and shall appear on the principal display panel of the device packaging, the outside package, container or wrapper, and the immediate device package, container, or wrapper.

(e) Devices containing dry natural rubber that contacts humans, as described in paragraph (b) of this section, that are not already subject to paragraph (d) of this section, shall bear the following statement in bold print on the device labeling:

"This Product Contains Dry Natural Rubber."

This statement shall appear on all device labels, and other labeling, and shall appear on the principal display panel of the device packaging, the outside package, container or wrapper, and the immediate device package, container, or wrapper.

(f) Devices that have packaging containing natural rubber latex that contacts humans, as described in paragraph (b) of this section, shall bear the following statement in bold print on the device labeling:

"Caution: The Packaging of This Product Contains Natural Rubber Latex Which May Cause Allergic Reactions."

This statement shall appear on the packaging that contains the natural rubber, and the outside package, container, or wrapper.

(g) Devices that have packaging containing dry natural rubber that contacts humans, as described in paragraph (b) of this section, shall bear the following statement in bold print on the device labeling:

"The Packaging of This Product Contains Dry Natural Rubber."

This statement shall appear on the packaging that contains the natural

rubber, and the outside package, container, or wrapper.—

- (h) Devices that contain natural rubber that contacts humans, as described in paragraph (b) of this section, shall not contain the term "hypoallergenic" on their labeling.
- (i) Any affected person may request an exemption or variance from the requirements of this section by submitting a citizen petition in accordance with §10.30 of this chapter.
- (j) Any device subject to this section that is not labeled in accordance with paragraphs (d) through (h) of this section and that is initially introduced or initially delivered for introduction into interstate commerce after the effective date of this regulation is misbranded under sections 201(n) and 502(a), (c), and (f) of the act (21 U.S.C. 321(n) and 352(a), (c), and (f)).

NOTE TO §801.437: Paragraphs (f) and (g) are stayed until June 27, 1999, as those regulations relate to device packaging that uses "cold seal" adhesives.

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### **Subpart A—General Provisions**

### § 803.1 Scope.

- (a) This part establishes requirements for medical device reporting. Under this part, device user facilities, importers, and manufacturers, as defined in §803.3, must report deaths and serious injuries to which a device has or may have caused or contributed, must establish and maintain adverse event files, and must submit to FDA specified followup and summary reports. Medical device distributors, as defined in §803.3, are also required to maintain records of incidents (files). Furthermore, manufacturers and importers are also required to report certain device malfunctions. These reports will assist FDA in protecting the public health by helping to ensure that devices are not adulterated or misbranded and are safe and effective for their intended use.
- (b) This part supplements and does not supersede other provisions of this subchapter, including the provisions of part 820 of this chapter.

(c) References in this part to regulatory sections of the Code of Federal Regulations are to chapter I of title 21, unless otherwise noted.

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#### § 803.3 Definitions.

- (a) Act means the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act.
- (b) Ambulatory surgical facility (ASF) means a distinct entity that operates for the primary purpose of furnishing same day outpatient surgical services to patients. An ASF may be either an independent entity (i.e., not a part of a provider of services or any other facility) or operated by another medical entity (e.g., under the common ownership, licensure or control of an entity). An ASF is subject to this regulation regardless of whether it is licensed by a Federal, State, municipal, or local government or regardless of whether it is accredited by a recognized accreditation organization. If an adverse event meets the criteria for reporting, the ASF must report that event regardless of the nature or location of the medical service provided by the ASF.
- (c) Become aware means that an employee of the entity required to report has acquired information reasonably suggesting a reportable adverse event has occurred.
- (1) Device user facilities are considered to have "become aware" when medical personnel, as defined in paragraph (s) of this section, who are employed by or otherwise formally affiliated with the facility, acquire such information about a reportable event.
- (2) Manufacturers are considered to have become aware of an event when:
- (i) Any employee becomes aware of a reportable event that is required to be reported within 30 days or that is required to be reported within 5 days under a written request from FDA under §803.53(b); and
- (ii) Any employee, who is a person with management or supervisory responsibilities over persons with regulatory, scientific, or technical responsibilities, or a person whose duties relate to the collection and reporting of adverse events, becomes aware that a reportable MDR event or events, from